

### **Small Rural School Achievement Program (SRSA)**

**Q. What is the purpose of the SRSA program?**

- A. The SRSA is a federal formula grant that comes directly from the U.S. Department of Education (USDE) to districts. The purpose is to assist small, rural districts in raising academic achievement.

**Q. Which districts qualify for SRSA funding?**

- A. Eligible districts:
- ADA of less than 600
  - Locale code of 7 or 8
  - Previous year Title II, Part A allocation is under \$60,000

**Q. How do districts apply for the SRSA funding?**

- A. To receive a Fiscal Year (FY) 2016 award, a district must submit an online application through the [USDE's G5](#) system. The electronic application is one-page, user-friendly, and should not take more than a half-hour to complete. Make sure the DUNS number you enter on the application is active and registered in the U.S. Treasury's [System for Award Management \(SAM\)](#). The deadline to apply is May 31, 2016.

**Q. How can the SRSA funds be used?**

- A. SRSA grant funds can be used for activities allowed under any of the following ESEA Title programs:
- Title I (disadvantaged students)
  - Title II A (teacher training/professional development)
  - Title II D (education technology)
  - Title III (English as a second language)
  - Title IV A (safe and healthy students)
  - Title V (innovative programs)

**Q. Was the SRSA program funded under the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)?**

- A. Yes, the SRSA program was funded under the new federal ESSA law. The new law makes two key changes to the program effective July 1, 2017.
- Locale codes will be revised
  - Funding amounts increase from \$25,000 to \$80,000

**Q. What guidance or resources are available to learn more about the SRSA program?**

- A. Additional guidance and information on the [SRSA program](#) is available on the NDDPI website. There is also a toll-free G5 hotline for assistance with the SRSA application: 1-800-336-8930.

**Q. Who can I contact with questions on the SRSA program?**

- A. For more information on the SRSA program, contact:

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